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**Subject:** FW: Chile forensics course  
**Date:** Friday, February 26, 2016 10:51:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [Convocatoria JFA Rev Feb 2016.pdf](#)  
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Judges:

I got this email from Davis Jones giving us the heads up about a workshop in Santiago Chile on Environmental Forensics (dates April 6-7). He thinks that EPA may have funding for another traveler in addition to Davis and he wants to know if one of the EAB judges are interested in participating. The forwarded email provides some background on the workshop.

Thoughts?

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**From:** Jones, Davis

**Sent:** Friday, February 26, 2016 5:01 PM

**To:** Berrios, Nivea ; Hong, Nadtya

**Subject:** RE: Chile forensics course

Nivea,

*Tom responded somewhat positively about the “convocatario” that the Santiago tribunal is hosting. I believe we have funding for one traveler in addition to me, but would need a fairly quick decision. I thought I should run this by you for the EAB’s consideration before forwarding it to Tom. To some degree, I think a criminal prosecutor’s perspective would be useful but always give priority to my EPA colleagues.*

Davis

Dear Tom and Rocky,

Here's some more background; hope you don't mind the Spanish attachments.

1. Topic of workshop, agenda, and any other info on the workshop you can provide.

See attached invitation letter and concept note for more background. While the environmental tribunal is analogous to our administrative courts, some of their functions match a civil judicial judge. However, I think either a criminal or civil prosecutor could speak on evidentiary issues relevant to the workshop.

2. topic for ECS speaker to present on

A couple of items on their list stand out like:

- Role of forensics in determining environmental damages
- Meeting of two worlds: Environmental forensics and environmental law
- Practical cases and sharing examples

3. date and location of the workshop

April 6-7 in Santiago

4. Whether the travel expenses will be fully funded for the ECS participant.

Maybe – OITA is checking our budget to see if we can accommodate a second traveler. I should know early next week.

They are not planning for translation, but tell me that most of the participants will understand English. However, a Spanish speaker would be ideal.

Davis

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Davis,

Following up on your email yesterday afternoon about the forensics workshop in Chile in April, I checked with the Environmental Crimes Section about this. They are interested, but they need the following information so they can present this to their Section management for consideration and approval:

1. Topic of workshop, agenda, and any other info on the workshop you can provide.
2. topic for ECS speaker to present on
3. date and location of the workshop
4. Whether the travel expenses will be fully funded for the ECS participant.

Thanks for reaching out to us on this. I've copied Rocky Piaggione of ECS who coordinates international outreach for ECS.

Have a good weekend.

Tom Swegle

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**From:** Jones, Davis [<mailto:Jones.Davis@epa.gov>]

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FYI, would DOJ have any interest in speaking at a forensics course the Chile Environmental Tribunal is holding April 6 – 7? I'll be going, but there may be room for a prosecutor.

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